HANS-JUERGEN WEIDEMAN, MICHAEL BAIER, ALEXANDER FALLER and FRITZ MERK Attorney's M 5909 US Applicant of Patentee: Serial or Patent No.: __ Docket No.: Filed or Issued: For: METHOD FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING RAIL CAR AND DEVICE. CAR FRAME AND CAR SUPERSTRUCTURE FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD **VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY** STATUS (37 CFR 1.9 (f) and 1.27 (b)) — INDEPENDENT INVENTOR As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9 (c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41 (a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark

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